Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 VIENNA 00167 101048Z

14
ACTION IO-11

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 EB-07 AID-05 AF-06 ARA-06 EA-07

NEA-10 COME-00 LAB-04 TRSE-00 STR-04 /073 W
---------- 047749
P 100811Z JAN 76
FM AMEMBASSY VIENNA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 7510
INFO USMISSION USUN NEW YORK PRIORITY

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE VIENNA 0167

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PORG, PFOR, UNIDO, OCON
SUBJECT: UNIDO: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ON UNIDO DRAFT CONSTITUTION:
DELEGATION REPORT NO. 1

1. SUMMARY. FIRST TWO DAYS OF MEETING OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (COW) TO CONSIDER UNIDO DRAFT CONSTITUTION WERE MARKED BY EMERGING CONFLICT BETWEEN GROUP B AND G-77 OVER DISTRIBUTION OF OFFICES AND APPARENT REJECTION BY SOME, POSSIBLY MANY, ELEMENTS OF G-77 OF DRAFT CONSTITUTION (A/10202), IN PARTICULAR PROVISION THERIN FOR WEIGHTED VOTING ON FINANCIAL MATTERS. END SUMMARY.

2. OPENING SESSION OF COW ON UNIDO DRAFT CONSTITUTION JAN. 7 WAS PRECEDED BY INFORMAL MEETING OF HEADS OF DELS, WHERE DIFFERING OPINIONS EXPRESSED OVER APPROPRIATENESS OF USE OF GA RULES OF PROCEDURE (SINCE COW IS ESSENTIALLY COMMITTEE CREATED BY GA) AS OPPOSED TO USE OF IDB RULES, WITH WHICH MOST UNIDO DELS MORE FAMILIAR. ALTHOUGH EXPRESSIONS OF INDIVIDUAL DELEGATION PREFERENCES DID NOT INDICATE SHARP DIVISION ALONG NORTH/SOUTH LINES, G-77 HAS SUBSEQUENTLY DECIDED TO PRESS FOR ADOPTION OF IDB RULES, MODIFIED AS NECESSARY BY REFERENCE TO GA RULES IN SUCH AREAS AS, INTER ALIA, QUORUM AND COMPOSITION OF BUREAU. ALTHOUGH USDEL EXPRESSED A GENERAL PREFERENCE FOR APPLICATION OF GA RULES TO WORK OF COW,
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 VIENNA 00167 101048Z

ADOPTION OF IDB RULES SENSIBLY MODIFIED ALSO ACCEPTABLE

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006

TO US; GROUP B HAS INFORMED G-77 OF
PREFERENCE FOR GA RULES BUT WILLINGNESS IN SPIRIT OF
COMPROMISE TO ACCEPT IDB RULES.

3. IN COURSE OF HEADS OF DEL MEETING, PERU (FERNANDINI)
MADE STRONG PITCH FOR CREATION OF COW DRAFTING COMMITTEE,
REVEALING LA GROUP (FERNANDINI) DESIRE TO HOLD CHAIRMANSHIP OF
DRAFTING COMMITTEE. HEADS OF DEL MEETING CONCLUDED
WITH DECISION TO ELECT CHAIRMAN OF COW AND HEAR
OPENING STATEMENTS, LEAVING OPEN QUESTIONS OF RULES OF
PROCEDURE AND ELECTION OF OTHER OFFICERS.

4. FIRST PLENARY MEETING FOLLOWED IMMEDIATELY AND
SAW UNANIMOUS ELECTION AMB. MEHTA (INDA) AS CHAIRMAN. AFTERNOON
SESSION HEARD ADDRESS BY LEGAL ADVISER SUY
(TEXT AIRPOUCHED FIGGINS IO/CMD), AND, IN OPENING OF
GENERAL DEBATE, USEFUL STATEMENT BY FINLAND (MAKINEN)
TOUCHING ON DESIRABILITY OF UNIVERSALITY OF APPEAL
OF UNIDO AS SPECIALIZED AGENCY TO PROSPECTIVE
MEMBERS AND CALLING FOR DECISIONS OF THE MEETING TO
BE BASED ON NEGOTIATED CONSENSUS. HE CALLED FOR
CLOSE MONITORING BY THE MEMBER STATES OF UNIDO ACTIVITIES
AND FINANCIAL MATTERS, AND, TO ASSURE THIS, SUGGESTED
THAT THE CONSTITUTION PROVIDE FOR A RELATIVELY SMALL
IDB THAT WOULD MEET FREQUENTLY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR,
OR, ALTERNATIVELY, THAT A LARGER IDB, MEETING YEARLY,
SHOULD CREATE A SMALL WORKING COMMITTEE WITH THE FULL
POWERS OF THE IDB, WHICH COULD MEET AS OFTEN AS NECESSARY
TO ASSURE THE MEMBERSHIP FULL CONTROL OF UNIDO'S
ACTIVITIES. FINNISH ADDRESS CONCLUDED FORMAL
ACTIVITIES JAN. 7.

5. NO PLENARY WAS SCHEDULED FOR MORNING JAN. 8, WHICH
WAS GIVEN OVER TO REGIONAL GROUP MEETINGS. G-77
DECIDED SUPPORT LA GROUP DRIVE FOR CHAIRMANSHIP OF
DRAFTING COMMITTEE IN ADDITION TO THREE OTHER SEATS ON
BUREAU. GROUP B, MEETING LATER IN DAY HEARD
EEC PROPOSAL TO SEEK ONE VICE-CHAIRMANSHIP AND TO
CONTEST G-77 FOR CHAIR OF DRAFTING COMMITTEE AND DECIDED TO
PRESS ITS CANDIDACY FOR THESE POSITIONS.
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

COMMENT: EEC DECISION STEMMED FROM US, UK, FRG,
JAPANESE CHAT. END COMMENT. THERE IS TACIT AGREEMENT
THAT AUSTRIAN LEGAL ADVISER NETTEL WOULD BE CHOICE OF
GROUP B FOR CHAIR OF DRAFTING COMMITTEE AND OTHER
GEOGRAPHIC GROUPS ARE AWARE OF THIS.

6. PLENARY OF AFTERNOON JAN 8 OPENED WITHOUT ANY
SPEAKERS ON LIST. IN ABSENCE OTHER BUSINESS, CHAIR

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006

CALLED UPON UNIDO FINANCIAL OFFICER GOHOREL TO READ
ADDRESS PREPARED FOR LATER DELIVERY BY UN COMPTROLLER
DEBATIN, DESPITE PRIOR AGREEMENT THAT ADDRESS WOULD
BE HELD FOR DEBATIN'S ARRIVAL. DELIVERY OF THESE
REMARKS, WHICH WERE COUCHED IN SOMEWHAT CRUDE STYLE AND
WHICH GAVE PRIORITY ATTENTION TO WEIGHTED VOTING, TOUCHED
OFF EXPLOSIVE REACTION ON PART PAKISTAN (SATTAR) AND
ECUADOR (CABEZAS-MOLINA) WHO DESCRIBED WEIGHTED VOTING
EONCEPT AS UNPRECEDENTED IN SA CONTEXT, REJECTED ITS
APPLICATION TO UNIDO CONSTITUTION, AND
REJECTED SECRETARIAT DRAFT CONSTITUTION (A/10202) AS
NOT EVEN HAVING STATUS OF CONFERENCE WORKING PAPER.
PLENARY CONCLUDED ON THIS NOTE.

7. COMMENT: USDEL WAS NOT WHOLLY SATISFIED
WITH MEHTA'S OPENING ADDRESS (COPIES WILL BE POUCHED
TO FIGGINS WHEN AVAILABLE), SINCE IT APPEARED TO US
UNBALANCED IN ITS CONCENTRATION ON UNIDO AS SERVING
EXCLUSIVELY THE INTERESTS OF THE LDC'S. WE NOTED, FOR
EXAMPLE, THAT MEHTA REFERRED BACK TO 6SS (AS WELL AS
7SS AND LIMA CONFERENCE) AS SETTING GUIDELINES FOR
COW, AND MADE PROMINENT MENTION OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL
ECONOMIC ORDER. MEHTA DID NOTE THAT UNIDO
CONSTITUTION MUST APPEAL TO ENTIRE INTERNATIONAL
ECONOMIC COMMUNITY, BUT WE TAKE THIS REMARK TO MEAN
SIMPLY THAT THE BASIC LDC THRUST HE OUTLINED SHOULD
BE SO CAST AS TO AVOID LANGUAGE OFFENSIVE AND
UNACCEPTABLE TO DC'S. SEPTEL ON ISSUE OF WEIGHTED VOTING
TO FOLLOW. USDEL ATTEMPTING MOVE GROUP B INTO SESSION
FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF GROUP B STUDY PAPER
NO. 3 IN ANTICIPATION OF PROBABLE G-77 REDRAFT.STIBRAVY

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: AGREEMENT DRAFT, COMMITTEE MEETINGS, MEETING REPORTS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 10 JAN 1976
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: GolinoFR
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976VIENNA00167
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760009-1158
From: VIENNA
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760168/aaaacife.tel
Line Count: 145
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION IO
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: GolinoFR
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 24 MAR 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <24 MAR 2004 by CollinP0>; APPROVED <24 MAR 2004 by GolinoFR>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: UNIDO: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ON UNIDO DRAFT CONSTITUTION: DELEGATION REPORT NO. 1
TAGS: PORG, PFOR, OCON, UNIDO
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006